

MOTOR VEHICLES

**YOU WILL NEED YOUR CURRENT MOTOR
VEHICLE REGISTRATION WITH YOU FOR
MOST TRANSACTIONS...**

NEW RESIDENTS

WELCOME!

New Residents to the Town of Newmarket **MUST** provide:

1. Proofs of residency – Acceptable forms of proof include: utility bill, a legal lease agreement, or other postmarked mailings to that address, i.e., credit card bill, phone bill, bank statement, etc.
2. Current out-of-state registration and ORIGINAL TITLE if you hold the title to your vehicle.
3. If you do NOT hold the title, we will need the full name and address of your lien holder and/or leasing company.
4. Current Mileage.

Also a reminder, if you have just moved to NH you have 60 days to apply for a NH Driver's License by NH State Law (RSA 263:35).

Changing Your Out-of-State Registered Vehicle to New Hampshire

For vehicles 15 years or older you need to bring:

- Proof of Residence (see above)
- The date of birth and address of any co-owners
- Your current out-of-state registration
- The current mileage on your vehicle
- **Either** your out-of-state Title **or** a NH [VIN Verification \(form 19A\)](#), which can be obtained at any State MV substation or City/Town Hall.

For vehicles 15 years or newer you need to bring:

- Proof of Residence (see above)
- The date of birth and address of any co-owners
- Your current out-of-state registration
- Your out-of-state Title
- The current mileage on your vehicle
- The name AND mailing address of your lien holder (if applicable)

The Town of Newmarket will prepare the NH Title Application for you, which you will mail to Concord. This will start the process of changing your out-of-state title to a NH title. Within a several week period, you will receive a letter from the Concord DMV notifying you that your title is changed and authorizing you to return to the Newmarket Town Clerk's office to obtain your NH plates for your vehicle.

If your current registration is EXPIRED or expiring within 20 days from the date you come to register your motor vehicle, then you may be eligible for a 60-Day Temporary registration and plate. You will need to provide the following information:

- Proof of Residence (see above)
- The date of birth and address of any co-owners
- Your out-of-state registration

- The current mileage on your vehicle
- The name AND mailing address of your lien holder (if applicable)

The Town of Newmarket will prepare the NH Title Application, your registration permit and collect the Town of Newmarket registration permit fees. You will then take the information provided to any of the State of NH DMV substations where you will pay your State of NH registration fee and Title fee and receive a 60-Day Temporary plate. Once the title has been swapped between the lien holder and State, they will mail you a set of metal NH plates.

RENEWING A REGISTRATION

TO RENEW YOUR MOTOR VEHICLE ONLINE, PLEASE FOLLOW THE “ONLINE BILL PAYMENT” LINK ON THE TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR MAIN PAGE!

** Please Note: We mail “Courtesy Notices” before the end of each month to those residents whose vehicles are due for renewal the upcoming month and were registered in Newmarket the previous year. You may renew your vehicle **by mail OR online** if you use this “Motor Vehicle Renewal Notice.”*

Your previous NH registration or Town of Newmarket Courtesy Notice **must be presented** at the time of renewal.

Early Registrations: Registrations may now be renewed anytime during the 4 months prior to expiration without verifying owner’s absence from the State RSA 261:62, II (d) amended 6/18/07

If you are moving to Newmarket from another New Hampshire City/Town and need to renew your vehicle...

You **MUST** provide:

1. Proof of residency to have your address changed on your license and registration.
2. Your current registration (we have no record of your vehicle in our system).

TRANSFERRING A REGISTRATION

You **MUST** provide the Current unexpired registration for the old vehicle and the paperwork from the dealer/seller for the new vehicle.

1. License plates are SOLELY OWNED by the first person listed on the registration. In order for you to receive the credit from the old vehicle, it must be transferred from same name to same name.
2. If your vehicle is in the name of a leasing company, you can transfer your plates as long as the LESSEE is the SAME as the owner of the plates (on a leased vehicle the owner of the plates is the LESSEE).

REGISTERING A NEW VEHICLE

1. If you purchased your vehicle from a NEW HAMPSHIRE DEALERSHIP, you will need to bring the blue title application marked “Town Clerk’s Copy”.
2. If you purchased your vehicle OUT OF STATE, you will need to bring a bill of sale and either the original title or certificate of origin.

3. If you purchased your vehicle from a PRIVATE SALE, you will need to bring a bill of sale and the original title.
4. If you have purchased a vehicle that is older than 15 years old, you will need a bill of sale and one of these three items: an original title, a previous NH registration or a [Verification of the Vehicle Identification Number](#).

PLATE TYPES

The Town of Newmarket can issue the following plate types:

- Regular NH License Plates
- Moose Plates
- Vanity Plates
- Motorcycle Plates
- Trailer Plates
- Vanity Antique Plates
- Vanity Motorcycle Plates
- Vanity Trailer Plates
- Vanity Moose Plates

For any other plate type, you must go through the State of New Hampshire DMV Offices. For any questions, please call 603-271-2251.

DRIVER LICENSING

If you are **new** to New Hampshire, you must prove identification and residency RSA 259:23. You must surrender your current driver's license from the state from which you have moved.

The documents necessary to obtain a New Hampshire Driver's License:

An **original or certified copy** of his/her birth certificate, valid US Passport or Military ID AND one of the following:

- Social Security Card
- Passport
- Marriage Certificate, Civil Union Certificate, or its equivalent
- Military discharge papers
- Military identification card
- Divorce Decree
- Valid School ID w/photo

If your name is different than what is listed on your birth certificate, you must also provide the legal document of that name change (i.e., marriage certificate, civil union certificate or its equivalent).

- Current driver license or driver license, which has expired no more than 12 months prior to the date of application.
- Proof of residency such as a NH valid registration, town/city clerk approval of residency letter, utility bill with postmark date, rental/lease agreement and /or something recently (within 30 days) mailed to you at your new address (must provide postmarked envelope).